

1 AN ACT in regard to vehicles.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 3. The State Finance Act is amended by adding
5 Section 5.545 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 105/5.545 new)
7 Sec. 5.545. The Lions of Illinois Fund.

8 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by
9 adding Section 3-648 as follows:

10 (625 ILCS 5/3-648 new)
11 Sec. 3-648. Lions of Illinois license plates.

12 (a) In addition to any other special license plate, the
13 Secretary, upon receipt of all applicable fees and
14 applications made in the form prescribed by the Secretary of
15 State, may issue Lions of Illinois license plates to
16 residents of Illinois who meet eligibility requirements
17 prescribed by the Secretary of State. The special Lions of
18 Illinois plate issued under this Section shall be affixed
19 only to passenger vehicles of the first division and motor
20 vehicles of the second division weighing not more than 8,000
21 pounds. Plates issued under this Section shall expire
22 according to the staggered multi-year procedure established
23 by Section 3-414.1 of this Code.

24 (b) The design, color, and format of the plates shall be
25 wholly within the discretion of the Secretary of State,
26 except that the International Association of Lions Clubs
27 emblem shall appear at the lower right corner of the plate,
28 and immediately to the left of the emblem shall appear the
29 following words: "Lions of Illinois". The Secretary may, in

1 his or her discretion, allow the plates to be issued as
2 vanity or personalized plates in accordance with Section
3 3-405.1 of this Code. The plates are not required to
4 designate "Land Of Lincoln", as prescribed in subsection (b)
5 of Section 3-412 of this Code. The Secretary shall prescribe
6 the eligibility requirements and, in his or her discretion,
7 shall approve and prescribe stickers or decals as provided
8 under Section 3-412.

9 (c) An applicant for the special plate shall be charged
10 a \$40 fee for original issuance in addition to the
11 appropriate registration fee. Of this fee, \$25 shall be
12 deposited into the Lions of Illinois Fund and \$15 shall be
13 deposited into the Secretary of State Special License Plate
14 Fund, to be used by the Secretary to help defray the
15 administrative processing costs.

16 For each registration renewal period, a \$27 fee, in
17 addition to the appropriate registration fee, shall be
18 charged. Of this fee, \$25 shall be deposited into the Lions
19 of Illinois Fund and \$2 shall be deposited into the Secretary
20 of State Special License Plate Fund.

21 (d) The Lions of Illinois Fund is created as a special
22 fund in the State treasury. All moneys in the Lions of
23 Illinois Fund shall be paid, subject to appropriation by the
24 General Assembly and approval by the Secretary, as grants to
25 the Lions of Illinois Endowment Fund.